

**REFUGIO INCIDENT SCRIBE MEETING NOTES**

**DATE:** JULY 28, 2015, 1004

**MEETING:** UC BRIEFING/TELECONFERENCE

**PLACE:** ICP MARIPOSA, 101 NORTH, GAVIOTA, CALIF.

**AGENCIES & PRINCIPAL REPRESENTATIVE:**

FOSC COAST GUARD - CAPT. JENNIFER WILLIAMS (via teleconference),  
LT. RYAN SCHMID

FOSC EPA - MAGGIE WALDON (via teleconference)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - CAPT. MARK CROSSLAND

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY OEM - RYAN ROCKABRAND (via teleconference)

RESPONSIBLE PARTY - PATRICK HODGINS (via teleconference)

LIAISON OFFICER - JOE STUART (via teleconference)

SAFETY/SECURITY - JOHNNY WRIGHT

PLANNING SECTION CHIEF - RYAN ANDERSEN

OPERATIONS - DREW ENGSTROM

FINANCE - MICHAEL RIHANI (via teleconference)

LOGISTICS - JEFF COUNSELLER

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER - DAN DUELL (via teleconference)

DOCUMENTATION - SHELEE CHRISTENSEN (via teleconference),  
LOUISE MIZOTA

ENVIRONMENTAL - JENNIFER GOLD

STATE OF CALIFORNIA PARKS - ERIC HJELSTROM

**DISCUSSION:**

- Planning Section Chief, the facilitator on this 71st day of the response, explained the purpose of the meeting and ground rules. He performed roll call.

- Coast Guard FOSC deferred opening comments.

- EPA FOSC had no opening comments.

- State OSC had no opening comments.

- Local OSC deferred opening comments.

- The RP opened up the meeting referring to a letter dated July 27th from the County of Santa Barbara sent to Unified Command which Capt. Williams shared with him. As the RP, he was looking at the three concerns that the Local On Scene Coordinator's internal stakeholders have. RP recommends to Command, which it appears has already been agreed upon, the definition of a storm event. RP agrees with that.

The second item was to include all of Santa Barbara County in that sampling event. The RP concurs with Santa Barbara County. The RP agrees that we should.

The third item is the concern that if there's not a significant storm event between now and March 2016 it could wash ashore any other tarball. The RP recommends to Unified Command that we revise the language that, yes, we would do December 2015, March 2016 and a significant storm event between now and March. If one does not occur, then the third sampling event, instead of March 2016, would be or a significant storm event. If one happens in April or May, then that would be sampled to ensure that we do sample after a significant storm event.

The RP believes those three things meet the Santa Barbara County's concerns and he asks that Unified Command review that as a potential to close out the phase 3 comments, meet the County's requirements and get approval so we can move forward.

Coast Guard FOSC thinks that the County should be happy with that, but we need to come up with the language off line to make sure that it's good, and approve it.

EPA FOSC stated this morning her division director had suggested that instead of having the end date for the sampling event be March, to just say that it would be May. That way it would be completely clear of the winter storm and perhaps that would make Santa Barbara feel like that's more agreeable to them.

Coast Guard FOSC said she thinks that's a great idea because we'll have another significant storm event this year, but it does go through the entire winter season and it also provides an end date because we can't just never have an end date on this and we've got to at some point be over it, that we've already had one storm, Delores, and we'll have many more, that they're predicting El Nino and we'll definitely have at least one significant storm next winter.

The RP said that kind of language or that kind of deadline works for the RP.

The Local thanked everybody. He appreciates the RP and Capt. Williams in addressing those concerns of the County. For the May deadline he has to bring it back to the particular stakeholders that were interested in that particular language. He doesn't think that that may be too much of a hurdle, that if we go with the RP's initial comment, he would say we can clearly move forward now. If we specify this May option, the Local would have to exercise that locally and bring it back.

The RP said he would say May 2016 or if by then a significant storm did not occur, we would still sample after a significant storm.

The Local said he is comfortable with that, El Nino is probably going to happen, and thanked everybody. He said if we get that language from Tom and revisions, he thinks he can make that happen today.

PSC said they will start working on that.

State OSC thanked everybody and said he has no problem with May 2016 and that's agreeable.

Capt. Williams said to keep in mind the other piece of it, which was sampling the entire County, that there shouldn't be any objection to that. She wants to make sure there's two items that we're changing. One is sampling the entire county after a significant storm, and then making sure that we have at least one significant storm.

EPA FOSC said they agree with that. PSC said it sounds like we're ready to move forward.

The RP thanked everybody.